

## Tiverton Recreation Meeting

October 16, 2007

Present at meeting: Glen Steckman, Ken DeCosta, Bob Martin, Theresa Burke, Jack Cooke, Diana Toste, Gary Rose, Debbie Ebbitt, Phyllis Brower, and Ken DeCosta.

New business: Gary Rose was approached at Town Farm by some people inquiring if the TRC is going to be spraying for mosquitoes. Mr. Rose told them he would discuss the spraying for mosquitoes at the next meeting. There was general discussion about past practice of spraying in town. It has been approx 15 years since the Town has sprayed for EEE. Ken DeCosta advised that the DPW does do larval dosing three times a year to try and kill the larvae before it becomes a mosquito. This is done on multiple standing water sites and drainage points. There is a system in place where should any positive results for EEE occur; outdoor activities are curtailed in the surrounding areas. It was concluded that the present system, while not perfect, works and we would not be proposing spraying for EEE.

We can replace the infields at Pocasset and the boys' infields at Town Farm with existing funds. The best mix for the infields is called blond infield mix. We discussed the replacement of dust at several of the ball fields.

Phyllis made a motion to replace the infields at Pocasset and the boys' field at Town farm. Gary Rose seconded the motion. The motion was passed 4 to 1. The other two fields (LaPointe and Daniels fields) will be replaced after approaching town council for additional funds. Little league has also offered to donate money for the field improvements.

A suggestion was made to sell beach passes that are connected to a specific license plate for entry to town beaches. A motion was made and passed unanimously to identify each pass with a specific license plate.

A recommendation was made to TRC members to contact Tiverton police for enforcement of recreation field rules and ordinances at athletic events. No one should confront a person violating the ordinance without another person present. Gary Rose made a motion to endorse Jack Cooke contacting all leagues about the ordinances. The motion was seconded and passes unanimously.

Old business

Discussion concerning the summer swim program has been tabled until after the first of the year. .

TRC would like to ask the Middle School chorus to sing at the Christmas program at Town Hall on December 2nd (Possibility the 9th). Once the date is confirmed we will approach the school for singing.

Fundraising at Bulgarmarsh is on hold for right now. Fundraising will not begin until the town council has reviewed and approved the Rec. commission's plans for the Bulgarmarsh Rec. area.

The latest revision of proposed concept drawings for the new Bulgarmarsh Rec. area was presented by Mr. Steckman. The TRC wants to get a more detailed drawing of the basketball courts/skateboard park/picnic area. Mr. Steckman will approach Mr. Gifford for an estimate on prices of improvements at the Bulgarmarsh rec. area. It was decided that the drawings were acceptable to start fundraising , applying for grants, and presentation to the Town Council.

Theresa asked about erecting the signs at Fogland. Mr. Steckman said to go in front of the Town Council to start the process.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm. The next meeting will be announced.